

Forgery

Ravenna - Aug. 1827.

Dear Douglas

I take example from the con-  
-science of your letter to shatter mine -  
though to say truth - nothing occurs at  
present that can tempt me to laughter there.  
we have - it is true - a very powerful  
body of conspirators in this remote part of  
the world ready to blow up the "Antichrist"  
- but I have no mind to graft the  
high skulls of these Goliath who open all  
letters - All the hopes of the Liberator are  
now placed upon me - therefore I try



your worship will not neglect to replenish  
my beaver packets - which are empty -  
their contents having taken the shape of  
wandering warlike stores - such as powder  
& lead - bayonets & small arms - and in  
case any misfortune of which the gods are not  
wont attend an army - my funds must  
facilitate the escape of my valiant friends &  
be assured that the hopes of the republic are  
wholly fixed upon you & your strong box -  
therefore - comply as promptly as possible  
with my request - and I shall look  
upon your worship as a very great man.



Let this animate you to noble achievements  
— and Science and merit triumph over

your lowly friends

Yours





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